

## REMARKS

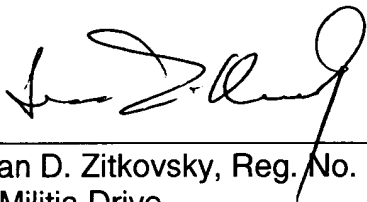
Applicants have amended the specification to acknowledge a joint research agreement between Arichell Technologies Inc. and Sloan Valve Company, which agreement was in effect on or before the date the claimed invention was made.

Enclosed in a Statement Pursuant to 35 USC §103(c)(2).

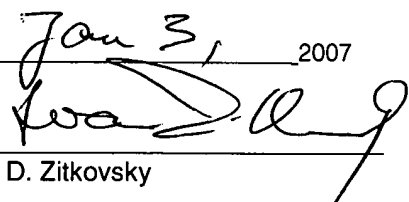
Should there be any outstanding issue left the Examiner is respectfully invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

The Commissioner is authorized to apply any charges or credits to the undersigned's Deposit Account 502-196.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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